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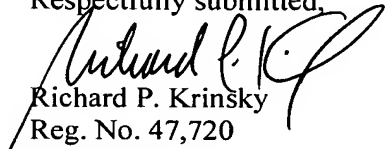
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3. The executed Assignment with cover sheet (3 pages).
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5. Copy of Preliminary Amendment, filed June 6, 2006 (see below).

In response to the United States Patent and Trademark Office's request for payment of additional claim fees regarding multiple dependent claims, as stated in the Notification of Missing Requirements mailed to us on January 18, 2007, please refer to the Preliminary Amendment filed on June 6, 2006, wherein the multiple dependencies of claims 4, 6, 7 and 9-11 were amended. A copy of the amended claims, as filed on June 6, 2006, is included in the Preliminary Amendment. Therefore, Applicant submits that there are no multiple dependent claims in this application and the request for payment is improper.

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